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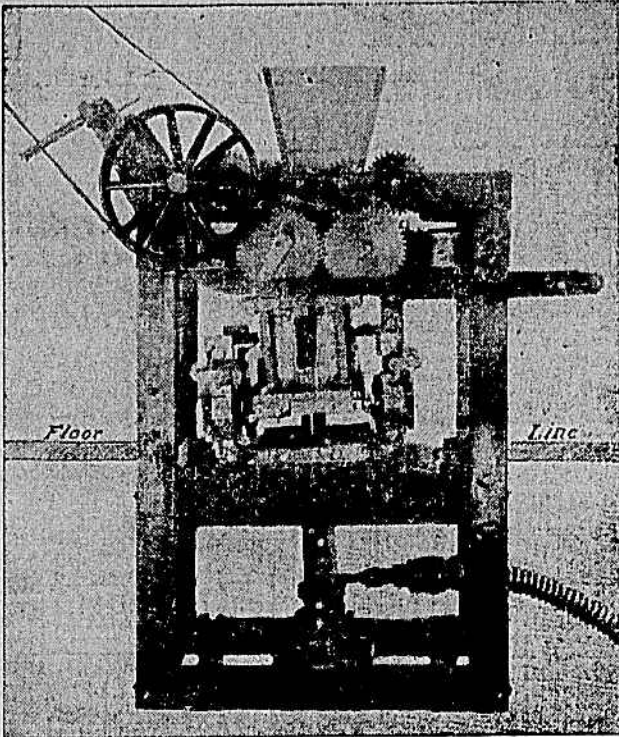
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# All Cotton Compression Members and Visitors Are Invited to Inspect the Neely Cotton Compress



Cotton continues King! With 14,000,000 bales now growing in the sunny fields of Dixie, it will be but a few weeks before the problem of baling will be to face again. As members of the American Cotton Manufacturers' Association you are more interested in the proper baling of this enormous amount of gold-producing cotton than any other class of people. As practical men you know how expensive, troublesome and disappointing the old style bale is. You know the urgent demand for a better bale that meets every requirement of the cotton world.

The Neely Bale meets Every Requirement as a Small, Compact, Labor-saving Rectangular Bale, and You are Therefore Invited to Inspect the Machine. The Neely Compress Can Be Seen at the Cardwell Machine Works, at 19th & Cary Streets, Or working model can be seen in Jefferson Hotel Auditorium.

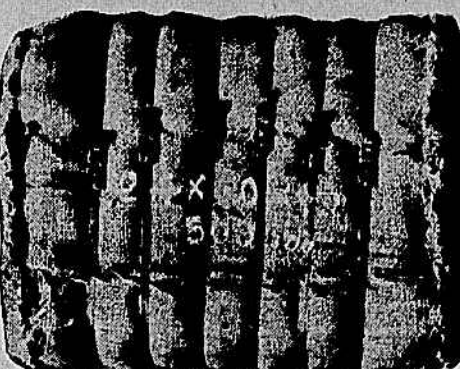
## The Neely Bale vs. the Old Bale.

The old style bale must be crudely baled at the cross roads gin, and then shipped [at great expense] to the city compress [owned by the trust] and re-compressed; the Neely bale is finished at the gin ready for a trip to England.

The old style bale is so large that it takes up four times as much room as the Neely before it is re-compressed, and twice as much after it has been re-compressed; the Neely bale is rectangular, and the size is only 24x30x40 inches. 15,000 cars could handle the cotton crop of the country with the Neely bale.

The old style bale in a torn, misshapen condition [see picture of old style bale] Neely bale reaches perfect condition [see picture of Neely bale].

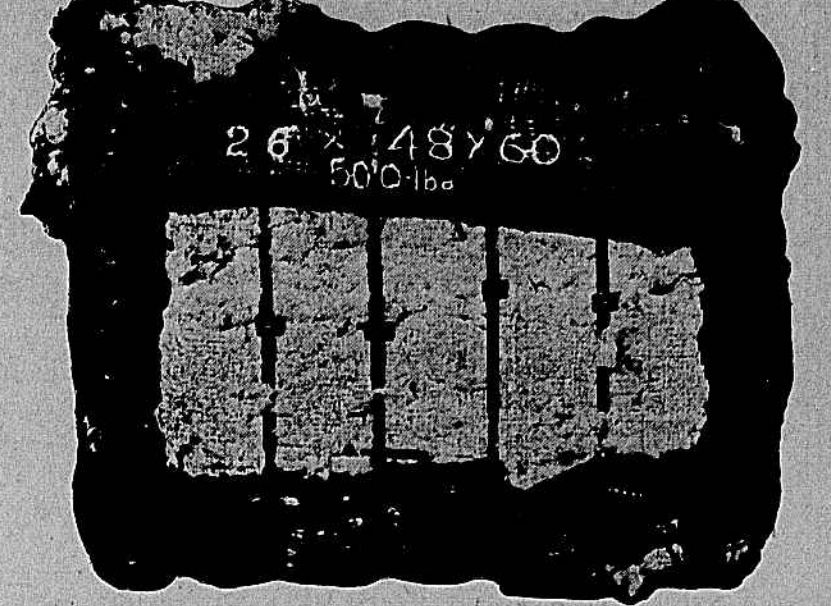
The old bale is high; the Neely and save the growers and of dollars.



reaches the spinner condition [see picture of Neely bale]; the spinner in perfect condition.

insurance and freight bale rates are low and shippers thousands.

In short, the old bale must go, because it is no longer suitable. The Neely bale will stay.



One of the Old Style Cotton Bales.

It reaches the spinners in a torn, unsatisfactory condition. It invites fire, makes insurance high. It causes the spinners great loss.

## Fortunes in Manufacture of The Neely

Practical inventions that supply a great demand have always made fortunes for those who manufacture them. You have only to recall the large list.

28,000 Ginners scattered throughout the South need the Neely Cotton Compress. 14,000,000 bales of Cotton call loudly for its marketing. These numbers will increase from year to year.

To manufacture and supply this demand for the Neely Compress, the Neely Compress & Cotton Co., of Richmond, Va., incorporated at \$1,000,000, in shares of the par value of \$1.00 each, has been organized. It is absolute owner of the patent and all improvements on the compress.

The Neely Compress can be made and sold for \$1,500 at a profit of \$750 to the company. The profit on 1,000 compresses would be \$750,000.00, which is 75 per cent on the capital stock of one million dollars. Think what the profit on 28,000 compresses would be! And consider the million repairs.

## The Neely Compressed Bale.

It leaves the ginners ready for the ocean steamer. It is neat, compact, and easily handled. It is the bale that practical cotton men, cotton growers and inventors have been striving to produce for many years.

## REAP YOUR SHARE OF THE PROFITS.

Here is an opportunity of a lifetime to those who desire to invest in a sure concern and one that will earn big dividends when it begins operations.

For a short time a limited amount of stock in The Neely Compress and Cotton Co., Inc., will be sold at \$1.50 per share [par value \$1.00]. But this stock is being rapidly taken up. It may be a matter of only a few months before you cannot buy a share at \$5.00 or even \$10.00!

## American Finance Corporation, Underwriters, 40-41-42 Merchants Nat. Bank Bldg. Richmond, Virginia.

## TRADING TORPID AND STOCKS FALL

Operators Show Little Inclination to Resume Active Speculation Despite Better News.

## MORGAN DROPS MERGER

Securities of Fertilizer Concerns Suffer as Result of Announcement—Closing Very Weak.

NEW YORK, May 25.—The stock market to-day did not show much inclination on the part of operators of great importance to resume active speculation. The anxiety felt yesterday on account of the nature of some of the estimates of crop conditions in Kansas and neighboring States was somewhat relieved, owing to the more cheerful views of the situation, but this relief failed to revive the stock market.

The small wave of animation during the first hour, during which some effort to lift prices was made, was followed by a lapse into torpid conditions, which promised the dulllest day for many weeks. There were several instances of a sudden drop in the price of specialties not of the first rank, which have been pushed forward into unwelcome prominence in the recent past. The inference that support was being withdrawn from stocks of this class was suggested. Some influence for depression was excited by the news of the progress of the strike on the Georgia Railroad and the dimensions which the trouble is assuming.

Interest attached to the announcement that J. P. Morgan & Company had withdrawn from connection with the proposed merger with a number of smaller fertilizer companies in the South. That project had constituted the basis for some speculation in a number of securities concerned and they felt the effect of the abandonment.

The early drop in United States Steel threatened an interruption of the daily succession of new record prices, which that security has been making, but this was avoided when it stiffened to 41 1/2 late in the day. This belated movement was of considerable sympathetic effect on the whole list. In the final dealings there was a general setback in which Reading, St. Paul and Western Maryland were particularly weak. Business left off dull, with prices on the down grade.

Bonds were steady; total sales, par value, \$2,118,000. United States bonds were unchanged on call. The total sales of stocks to-day amounted to 450,800 shares.

NEW YORK, May 25.—Money on call easy, 1 1/2-2 per cent; ruling rate, 2 1/2-3; closing bid, 1 1/2-2; offered at 1 1/2-2. Time loans steady and dull; sixty days and ninety days, 2 1/2-3 per cent.

## Thomas Branch & Co.

(Established 1838.)  
MEMBERS  
New York Stock Exchange  
New York Cotton Exchange

Private Wires to  
Principal Markets

## OFFICIAL RANGE AND SALE OF STOCKS IN NEW YORK.

By THOMAS BRANCH & CO., Bankers and Brokers.

SALES:	Open.	High.	Low.	Closing.
400 Allis-Chalmers pfd.	154	154	154	154
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15,150 Amalgamated Copper	84	84 1/2	84 1/2	84 1/2
2,500 American Can	134	134 1/2	134 1/2	134 1/2
1,000 American Can pfd.	63 1/2	63 1/2	63 1/2	63 1/2
2,500 Amer. Car and Foundry	66 1/2	66 1/2	66 1/2	66 1/2
1,450 Amer. Car and Foundry pfd.	63 1/2	63 1/2	63 1/2	63 1/2
1,100 American Locomotive	57 1/2	57 1/2	57 1/2	57 1/2
Amer. Locomotive pfd.	57 1/2	57 1/2	57 1/2	57 1/2
5,400 American Smelting	94	94	94	94
Amer. Sugar	124 1/2	124 1/2	124 1/2	124 1/2
3,125 Amer. Tel. and Tel. Co.	120	120	120	120
325 American Tobacco	410	410	410	410
500 American Tobacco pfd.	104 1/2	104 1/2	104 1/2	104 1/2
1,500 Anaconda Copper	59 1/2	59 1/2	59 1/2	59 1/2
5,300 Atchafalaya	104 1/2	104 1/2	104 1/2	104 1/2
1,300 Atlantic Coast Line	124	124	124	124
4,500 Chesapeake and Ohio	78 1/2	78 1/2	78 1/2	78 1/2
2,700 Baltimore and Ohio	114 1/2	114 1/2	114 1/2	114 1/2
1,900 Brooklyn Rapid Transit	79	79 1/2	79 1/2	79 1/2
200 Canadian Pacific	150 1/2	150 1/2	150 1/2	150 1/2
1,300 Chesapeake and Ohio	78 1/2	78 1/2	78 1/2	78 1/2
200 Chicago Great Western	84 1/2	84 1/2	84 1/2	84 1/2
2,900 Chi. Mil. and St. Paul	151	151 1/2	151 1/2	151 1/2
Chicago and Northwest	151	151 1/2	151 1/2	151 1/2
1,000 Col. Hocking C. and I.	63 1/2	63 1/2	63 1/2	63 1/2
4,700 Colorado Fuel and Iron	41 1/2	41 1/2	41 1/2	41 1/2
4,325 Colorado and Southern	118 1/2	118 1/2	118 1/2	118 1/2
320 Col. and So. Ry. 1st pfd.	83	83	83	83
300 Col. and So. Ry. 2d pfd.	39 1/2	39 1/2	39 1/2	39 1/2
1,500 Consolidated Gas	144 1/2	144 1/2	144 1/2	144 1/2
200 Central Electric	104	104	104	104
6,000 Den. and Rio Gran.	61 1/2	61 1/2	61 1/2	61 1/2
325 Den. and Rio Gran. pfd.	87 1/2	87 1/2	87 1/2	87 1/2
4,000 DuPonts of E. Va.	114 1/2	114 1/2	114 1/2	114 1/2
1,500 Erie	84 1/2	84 1/2	84 1/2	84 1/2
1,100 Erie 1st pfd.	84 1/2	84 1/2	84 1/2	84 1/2
1,000 Erie 2d pfd.	41 1/2	41 1/2	41 1/2	41 1/2
200 Erie 3d pfd.	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2
5,625 Great Northern pfd.	147 1/2	147 1/2	147 1/2	147 1/2
400 Great Northern Ore. cfs.	72 1/2	72 1/2	72 1/2	72 1/2
200 Illinois Central	164 1/2	164 1/2	164 1/2	164 1/2
1,500 Int. Metropolitan	162 1/2	162 1/2	162 1/2	162 1/2
4,000 Int. Metropolitan pfd.	44 1/2	44 1/2	44 1/2	44 1/2

## CLOSING BOND QUOTATIONS.

Col. and Sou. ref. and ext. 4 1/2	99 1/2
Delaware and Hudson 4 1/2	100 1/2
Delaware and Hudson 1st 4 1/2	100 1/2
Denver and Rio Grande 4 1/2	99 1/2
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DuPonts of E. Va. 4 1/2	99 1/2
Erie 4 1/2	99 1/2
Erie 1st 4 1/2	99 1/2
Erie 2nd 4 1/2	99 1/2
Erie 3rd 4 1/2	99 1/2
Illinois Central 4 1/2	99 1/2
Inter. Metrop. 4 1/2	99 1/2
Inter. Metrop. 1st 4 1/2	99 1/2
Japan 4 1/2	99 1/2
Japan 1st 4 1/2	99 1/2
Japan 2nd 4 1/2	99 1/2
Japan 3rd 4 1/2	99 1/2
Lake Shore 4 1/2	99 1/2
Louisville and Nash. 4 1/2	99 1/2
Mo. Kan. and Tex. 4 1/2	99 1/2
Mo. Kan. and Tex. 1st 4 1/2	99 1/2
Missouri Pacific 4 1/2	99 1/2
New York Central 4 1/2	99 1/2
New York Central 1st 4 1/2	99 1/2
New York City 4 1/2	99 1/2
N. Y. N. H. and Hartford 4 1/2	99 1/2
Norfolk and Western 4 1/2	99 1/2
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## RICHMOND STOCK MARKET.

Richmond, Va., May 25, 1909.

SALES AT BOARD.

Virginia Centuries—1,000 at 93 1/2; 3,000 at 93 1/2.

STATE SECURITIES.

North Carolina 4s. C. 1910... 99

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## offerings soon eased prices off but after July had sold at 11.05 and December at 10.85, or within 2 points of last night's close on the summer months and 5 or 6 points off from the later positions.

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